
Subject: Transferring files to a Mac
Posted by [lrn](#) on Thu, 17 Nov 1994 15:43:55 GMT
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Subject: Re: Transferring files to a Mac
Posted by [nicholas](#) on Fri, 18 Nov 1994 13:42:37 GMT
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Larry,

The file you have transferred only has a PICT datafork. What you need to do is open it in a graphics package (like Photoshop) and save it as a PICT, this will add the resource fork. If you don't have Photoshop or need to do this to many images, I think there are some shareware programs that add the resource fork (and can work in batch mode).

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Subject: Re: Transferring files to a Mac
Posted by [djackson](#) on Fri, 18 Nov 1994 19:31:08 GMT
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In article <1994Nov17.154355.13275@wuphys.wustl.edu>
lrn@howdy.wustl.edu (Larry Roger Nittler) writes:

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> file to tha Mac, using FTP, the Mac thinks it's a text file.

Just a quick check, are you sure that you are transferring the file
in binary mode, and when you get it on your Mac, are you able to set
its filetype to PICT? When I do that, I can open it with a graphics
program.

-Dick

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"It grows like a flower or it grows like a tumor. Love shows that
God has a sense of humor." -Joe Jackson, _Stranger_Than_Fiction_

Subject: Re: Transferring files to a Mac
Posted by [8015](#) on Mon, 21 Nov 1994 17:03:38 GMT
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as a PICT or whatever format you have output from the SGI.

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Subject: Re: Transferring files to a Mac
Posted by [meadogc](#) on Wed, 30 Nov 1994 18:57:55 GMT
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In article ru4@hacgate2.hac.com, 8015@sbsun0010.sbrc.hac.com (Mike Schienle) writes:

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You must of course use the binary file trasnfer. You can still use the file with your MAC. Just load the application first and then open the PICT or TIFF file. If you don't want to do that then you can use ResEdit on the MAC to change the resource fork.

Double-Click ResEdit, then File Open and select your file,
then select File Get Info for
under TYPE for a tiff file use TIFF in uppercasse, for a PICT use PICT in uppercasse
under creator use 8BIM for Adobe Photoshop or DAD2 for Canvas then click OK.

If you don't have either of these programs then use ResEdit to find out what the creator "code" is for one of the files from a program that you do have and plug that in.

Hope this helps,

Happy Computing,

Greg C. Meador

Subject: Re: Transferring files to a Mac
Posted by [djackson](#) on Thu, 01 Dec 1994 17:45:58 GMT
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In article <1994Nov30.185755.11079@eplrx7.es.dupont.com>
meadogc@poepsn01.po.dupont.com@gatekeeper.es.dupont.com (Gregory C.
Meador) writes:

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- > your MAC. Just load the application first and then open the PICT or TIFF file.
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- > resource fork.

Much simpler than ResEdit hacking is to use a type-and-creator-changer utility such as the freeware FinderInfo, with a nice drag-and-drop usage, and you can tell it to be "just like this other file here". Find it in one of the sumex-aim archives/mirrors in Utilities directory.

Cheers,
-Dick

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Subject: Re: Transferring files to a Mac
Posted by [jp2d](#) on Fri, 02 Dec 1994 20:14:51 GMT
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In article <1994Nov17.154355.13275@wuphys.wustl.edu>,
lrn@howdy.wustl.edu (Larry Roger Nittler) wrote, in part:

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Here is one solution, which has the virtue of making life easy once you have set things up properly. It assumes that you are using the `_fetch_` application on your mac to ftp over the files:

Step 1.

Run the application on the mac which you wish to use to view your imported files. For example, I use NIH Image. Save a document from this application to your hard disk.

Step 2.

Start fetch. Under the "customize" menu, select the "suffix mapping" menu item. Click on the "new" button. This brings up a dialog box. Type ".tiff" into the suffix window, leave the "binary" radio button clicked, and click on the "choose example" button. Now use the dialog box to select the sample document you saved in step one.

Step 3.

Whenever you create a tiff file on your unix box, name it with a ".tiff" extension.

And, viola. Whenever you bring such a file over to your mac using fetch, it will double-click open into the application you used in Step 1 above.

Hope this helps.

Jim Pekar jp2d@nih.gov Bethesda, Maryland Speaking only for myself.

Subject: Re: Transferring files to a Mac
Posted by [lrn](#) on Fri, 02 Dec 1994 20:36:11 GMT
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Well, actually no. It screams " I hate Macs", but makes no comments

whatsoever about any other type of computer. I do not have to use PCs,
so I could not care less about them. (I do like the SGI, though)

Thanks again to everyone who responded.

Larry

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